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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR DISTINGUISHED VISITOR
ORIENTATION TOUR, JULY 29 TO AUGUST 5, 2007

- 11. This is an action request. See para three.
- 12. The following candidates has been selected for participation for the Distinguished Visitor Orientation Tour in the U.S. from July 29 to August 5, 2007. Post vetting was completed on June 20, 2007. Post requests that vetting be completed by July 18, 2007, to provide sufficient time for processing. Post requests the department conduct Leahy vetting for the following candidates:

Name: Mohammad Abul Kalam Azad

Rank: Commodore

Unit: Coast Guard HQ Unit Location: Dhaka Personal Number: 184 Date of Birth: 31 Dec 57 Place of Birth: Mymensingh

Name: Afazur Rahman Chowdhury

Rank: Commander

Unit: Coast Guard HQ Unit Location: Dhaka Personal Number: 472 Date of Birth: 3 Jan 64 Place of Birth: Dinajpur

- 13. Post requests that the Department of State authorize post to make the following statement to the relevant DOD units: "Embassy verifies that the Department of State possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above named individual or unit."
- 14. Post Human Rights Officer is Luke Zahner, unclass e-mail:zahnerlv@state.gov.
- 15. COMMENT: Embassy has no information to indicate this individual or any unit he has served in has been involved in gross violations of human rights.
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